PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q88424

Akira TSUJI, et al.

Application No.: 10/541,019

Group Art Unit: 1615

Confirmation No.: 4031

Examiner: Jeffrey T PALENIK

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For: GASTROINTESTINAL ABSORPTION ENHANCER MEDIATED BY PROTON-

COUPLED TRANSPORTER AND ITS PREPARING METHOD

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of December 16, 2008 to May 16, 2009.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge the statutory fee of \$130.00 and all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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